

memorandum

DATE: August 31, 1982

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: Donald R. Johnson, Tract Coordinator *DJ*

SUBJECT: U-a/U-b Tract Coordination Meeting of August 25, 1982

to: Tracts U-a/U-b Coordination Meeting File

The coordination meeting began at 8:30 a.m. with a tour of the tracts followed by a meeting at the WRSOC trailers at Bonanza, Utah. Attendees at the meeting were:

Jim Godlove	WRSOC, Salt Lake City	Daniel Grenard	BLM
James Goff	" Vernal	Don Johnson	MMS-OSO, G. Jct.
Bob Gilbert	" "	Randy Heuscher	" "
Susan Linner	UDOGM	Peter Rutledge	" "
Pamela Grubaugh-Littig	UDOGM	Dave Oberwager	" "
Bob Nicholson	Uintah County	Mike Deneen	" "

1. Construction

The tract access road has been tack coated in preparation for paving. Plant growth material is being stockpiled and earthwork for mine services building is in progress. The bridge over the White River has been slowed by special problems and its completion may be delayed until next year. Roadside slopes have been covered with plant growth material in preparation for revegetation beginning this fall.

2. Permits -- The permit report is included in the appendix.3. Environmental

Routine monitoring continues following the requirements outlined in the monitoring manual. Mechanical data gathering continues at the station north of the White River until automatic equipment is repaired. Air quality impacts at the tracts have lessened since most of the road work is complete. McKell is scheduled to do studies on both Union B processed shale and on the topsoil piles from the U-a/U-b tracts. These studies are expected to aid in long term revegetation efforts.

Heavy rains near the tracts have changed characteristics of the White River. The river turned bright red in the middle of July. About 1.7 inches of precipitation were recorded at a station near the Paraho property during one storm while on-tract the largest amount recorded was .57 inch. The WRSOC environmental monitoring report is included in the appendix.

4. Mining

WRSOC will have two mine IDs, one for the shaft and one for the decline. Action on the mine permit from UDOGM is expected during the week of August 30.

5. Hydrology

Additional permits are needed for the water production wells (alluvial wells). State engineer's approval is needed for the plant retention dam. The water treatment plant is in bid stage. OSO needs to decide on monitoring requirements for the alluvial wells.

6. Socioeconomic

WRSOC published their first Socieconomic Monitoring Quarterly Report covering the second quarter of 1982. The project has added four employees since the last monthly report. The RV camp now contains about 28 RVs. There will be no permanent on-site camp through 1985. Mining crews and other employees will live in the Vernal area during this period.

7. DDP

The DDP update will be submitted to the OSO early in September. The update will include schedule changes and modification to the mining plan. The WRSOC monthly employee monitoring report is included in the appendix.

8. Next meeting.

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on October 6, 1982, at the Oil Shale Office in Grand Junction. A quarterly monitoring meeting will be held on this same date at the OSO--details will be sent later.

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